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SUBJECT: US-EGYPTIAN MEDICAL COOPERATION HEALTH
- SECTOR ASSESSMENT
REF: EHRLICH'S LTR TO MAZEN MARCH 7, 1975

1. DURING JANUARY 1975 VISIT HEALTH SECTOR ASSESSMENT TEAM, FOUR PLANNING ISSUES REQUIRING IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS WERE IDENTIFIED: A) URBAN HEALTH SERVICES, B) RURAL HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM, C) PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES, D) MANPOWER PLANNING. IT WAS AGREED THAT U.S. TECHNICAL EXPERTS WOULD BE SENT TO EGYPT BY LATE MARCH TO DEVELOP PROPOSALS ON THESE ISSUES.

2. TECHNICAL EXPERTS FOR AREAS A THROUGH C HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. THEY ARE: MR. LAWRENCE HABER, CHIEF, DIVISION OF DISABILITY STUDIES, OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION(URBAN HEALTH
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SERVICES); DR. PAUL NUTTING, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE,

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HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION(RURAL HEALTH SERVICES); MR. BRIAN KEENAN, SYSTEMS ANALYST, U.S. GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE(PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES); MR. EARL BRYANT, NATIONAL

CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS(ALSO PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT HOSPITALS). ADDITIONALLY, MR. JOHN TOBIN SELECTED TO ADVISE EGYPTIAN AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS ON NEXT NECESSARY STEP TO IMPROVE PHYSICAL INVENTORY AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES.

3. TECHNICAL EXPERTS SELECTED ON BASIS THEIR LONG EXPERIENCE IN RESPECTIVE FIELDS. TOBIN IS DIRECTOR, MATERIAL MANAGEMENT AND REGULATIONS, OFFICE OF GRANTS AND PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT DHEW. HE DEVELOPED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT POLICY, SPECIFICALLY INVENTORY MANAGEMENT IN PROCUREMENT, RECEIPT, STORAGE AND ISSUE OF ALL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FOR PHS HOSPITALS. HE HAS HAD 20 YEARS OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN VETERANS

ADMINISTRATION HOSPITALS.

KEENAN HAS BA AND MA IN PSYCHOLOGY AND PH.D. IN BOTH PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY. HE HAS CERTIFICATES FROM MIT IN SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT, SYSTEMS ANALYSIS, MODERN CONTROL THEORY, AND R AND D MANAGEMENT. HE HAS DONE ALMOST 200 STUDIES IN BASIC, APPLIED AND EVALUATION RESEARCH FOR VARIOUS ACADEMIC, INDUSTRIAL AND GOVERN-MENT INSTITUTIONS. CURRENTLY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MOST OF EVALUATION DESIGNS FOR GAO. RECENT WORK INCLUDES EVAULATION OF PROGRAMS AND CHILD AND EXPECTANT MOTHER NUTRITION, MENTAL HEALTH, HANDICAPPED SERVICES, REHABILITATION, HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT CARE, AND INDIAN HEALTH.

NUTTING HAS M.D. AND RESIDENCY IN PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE. HE IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE, PARTICULARLY RURAL HEALTH DELIVERY TO INDIANS, WITH EMPHASIS ON MCH IN INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES.
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BRYANT HAS BA IN MATHEMATICS AND,MA IN MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS. HE HAS WORKED WITH SAMPLE SURVEY AND DESIGN SINCE 1957 AND IS CHIEF, STATISTICAL METHODS STAFF, NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS.

HABER IS CHIEF OF DISABILITY STUDIES, OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

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IN OVER 12 YEARS HAS DIRECTED MAJOR SURVEYS, INCLUDING SURVEYS ON DISABILITY AND THE AGED, FOR SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION. HE HAS MA IN SOCIOLOGY FROM NEW YORK UNIVERSITY.

4. TECHNICAL EXPERTS IN URBAN, RURAL, AND DISTRICT AND PROVINCIAL HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEMS ARE EXPECTED TO WORK WITH THEIR EGYPTIAN COUNTERPARTS TO DEVELOP GRANT PROPOSALS FOR POSSIBLE SUPPORT UNDER PL-480 PROGRAM. THEY WILL, TOGETHER WITH THE EGYPTIANS, DEVELOP OBJECTIVES OF THESE STUDIES, FORMULATE THE METHODOLOGIES, INCLUDING THE SAMPLE SURVEY, PREPARE ANALYTICAL DUMMY TABLES, WORK OUT MANPOWER ESTIMATES, AND DEVELOP PAPERS TO SHOW RELATION BETWEEN THE STUDY AND DECISION MAKING. IT IS REQUESTED THAT DR. MAZEN APPOINT HIS EGYPTIAN PROJECT OFFICERS FOR THESE STUDIES PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF EXPERTS. TOBIN IS ARRIVING ESSENTIALLY TO EVALUATE THE PHYSICAL INVENTORY AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT STATUS IN EGYPT. HE IS TO REPORT AT END OF TRIP WHAT FURTHER STEPS ARE REQUIRED OF U.S. GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM TECHNICAL ASSESSMENTS IN THIS FIELD. BRYANT WILL ACT AS STATISTICIAN FOR ALL THREE STUDY AREAS AND HELP DESIGN SAMPLING AND METHODOLOGY FOR THESE STUDIES. IN ADDITION WILL ACT AS CO-EXPERT IN DISTRICT AND PROVINICAL HOSPTIAL STUDY.

5. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT EGYPTIAN PROJECT OFFICERS IN EACH STUDY AREA MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SMALL NUMBER OF FIELD TRIPS, TO FAMILIARIZE TECHNICAL EXPERTS WITH ACTUAL CONDITIONS IN THE FIELD.

6. KEENAN, BRYANT AND NUTTING ARRIVING CAIRO, SUNDAY, MARCH 23 FOR TWO WEEKS. HABER ARRIVING CAIRO MARCH 30
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FOR TWO WEEKS. TOBIN ARRIVING CAIRO MARCH 30 FOR THREE WEEKS. REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS SOONEST.

7. EMBASSY AUTHORIZED ISSUE TRAVELERS PER DIEM CHARGEABLE DHEW APPROPRIATION 75X1102.

8. REF LETTER ADVISES MAZEN OF THESE VISITS. WOULD NEVERTHELESS APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S CONTACTING HIM AND ADVISING CONTENT THIS TELEGRAM ASAP.

9. WE RECOGNIZE HOTEL SPACE COULD WELL BE NIGH IMPOSSIBLE. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP. INGERSOLL

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